THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (DR. DASARI NARAYAN RAO): (a) to (c) As per the information received from primary producers of aluminium, the details of aluminium plants operating in the country, their targets and achievement during the last three years are given below:

(*figures in metric tonnes*)

Company	Location of Plant	2002-03 Production		2003-04 Production		2004-05 Production	
		Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual
National Aluminium Company Limited	Angul, Orissa	230000	244708	290000	298207	348000	338483
Bharat Aluminium Company Limited	Korba, Chhattisgarh	94000	95490	100000	97088	100000	100272
Hindalco Industries Limited	Renukoot, Uttar Pradesh	285000	266837	337250	323184	345000	343448
	Hirakund, Orissa	36915	37102	60029	60877	65867	65620
	Alupuram, Kerala	14273	14131	14198	4528	—	—
Madras Aluminium Company Limited	Mettur Dam, Salem Tamil Nadu	34029	30900	34255	32226	37462	35649

Directorate of Mines Safety

4133. SHRI JIBON ROY: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the staff strength of Directorate of Mines Safety is not adequate with the size of mining industry;

(b) the present sanctioned strength and the number of vacancies there, post-wise; and

(c) what action Government have taken to fill up the vacancies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (DR. DASARI NARAYAN RAO): On the basis of the information received from Ministry of Labour and Employment (which as per the Allocation of Business Rules is handling Directorate of Mines Safety), the reply is as under:

(a) The sanctioned staff strength of the Directorate General of Mines Safety is adequate.

(b) As on 31.12.2004, against the sanctioned strength of 1039, there are 230 vacancies in the organization.

(c) Considering the important functional requirements of the organization, all efforts are being made to fill-up the existing vacancies as per the procedure of the Government.

Recommendations of National Commission for Minorities

4134. SHRI S.P.M. SYED KHAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Commission for Minorities has made any recommendations for job reservation for minorities in Government services;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the proposal is under Government's consideration; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The National Commission for Minorities in its Annual Report for the year 1998-99 had recommended that at least 15% representation should be given to Minorities in all public employment under the Central Government by giving relaxation of the prescribed requirements as are available to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.